

# Test Valley PARTNERSHIP



Minutes of the PARTNERSHIP BOARD held at Crosfield Hall, Romsey  
at 9.30 am on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2008

## Attendees:

Name	Organisation
Janet Blann (Chair)	Test Valley Community Services (TVCS) Chairman Test Valley Partnership
Steve Benson	Testway Housing
Sian Campbell	HCC Hampshire Action Team (HAT)
Madeline Edmunds	Test Valley Arts Foundation
Cllr. Sandra Hawke	TVBC
Dr. Christine Jackson	Hampshire Primary Care Trust
Penny Lane	TVBC
Steve Lees (For Item 2)	Policy Design and Conservation Manager, TVBC
Jan Lefley	Romsey Community School
Lt. Colonel Charles Milner-Williams	Association of Parish Councils
Cllr. Roy Perry	Hampshire County Council (HCC)
Carol Rooke	Victim Support Hampshire and IOW
Bernard Sully	TVBC
Chief Supt. Ann Wakefield	Hampshire Constabulary

## Apologies from:

Cllr. Ian Carr	Leader, TVBC Vice Chairman Test Valley Partnership
Mollie Antrobus	Andover Mencap
David Bidwell	TV Association of Parish Councils
Rev Derek Overfield	BANHIM
Lyn Penny	HCC Children's Services
Roger Tetstall	Chief Executive, TVBC

<b>Item1</b>	<b><u>Review of Actions agreed at October Board Meeting</u></b>
<b>Action(s)</b>	<b><u>Parish Plans Update</u></b> Bernard to ensure that parish plans are circulated at a nearly stage to TVP Board members. (BS)

<b>Item2</b>	<b><u>Local Development Framework Core Strategy</u></b>
<b>Purpose</b>	To seek partners' support for Test Valley Borough Council's Local Development Framework Core Strategy.
<b>Introduction</b>	The Council has agreed for publication its Core Strategy Development Plan Document. It sets out where the Council considers the development required by the South East Plan for the next 20 years should go within the borough.  Test Valley is required to accommodate 8,910 dwellings (plus a possible further 600) between 2006 and 2026. These will be split - 5,000 in the north of the borough, and 3,910 in the south.
<b>Key points arising</b>	<b>See attached briefing note.</b>

<b>Decisions and Action Points</b>	
<b>Action:</b> Steve Lee to provide a briefings summary for partners on the Core Strategy Development Plan. <b>(Briefing note attached).</b>	Steve Lees
<b>Action:</b> The issues of 'affordable housing' and 'creating new communities' to be discussed in more depth at the Community Development Action Group, which will now incorporate housing issues.	CDAG
<b>Action:</b> A number of workshops to be held involving the LSP action groups, to provide an opportunity to discuss the content of the Strategy in some detail.	TVP Action Groups

<b>Item3</b>	<b><u>Local Area Agreement Update</u></b>
<b>Purpose</b>	To update the Test Valley Partnership Board on the development of the Hampshire LAA and Test Valley's submission on improvement priorities.
<b>Key Points</b>	The following timetable has been set out for the ongoing development of the Hampshire LAA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The emerging priorities will be available on the HCC website next week starting Mon 28<sup>th</sup> January.</li> <li>A consolidated list of priorities will be circulated from 4<sup>th</sup> February with opportunities for feedback to be sent during February.</li> <li>A Joint LAA Executive and Board Meeting will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> March to agree the 35 priority indicators</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The final 35 indicators to be sent to Government on the 31<sup>st</sup> March</li> <li>• The target levels will then be negotiated and agreed by 15<sup>th</sup> May.</li> </ul> <p>A submission on improvement priorities for Test Valley has been developed in consultation with PMG and Chairs &amp; Coordinators Group, and has been submitted on behalf of the Partnership to HCC. HCC has now mapped all districts submissions against the NIS set, and this will feed into the overall development of the LAA.</p>	
<b>Action points and Decisions made</b>		
<p><b>Decision:</b> The importance of a rural perspective within the LAA was expressed by members of the Board.</p>		
<p><b>Action:</b> Feedback regarding a rural dimension to the LAA to be given to Community Action Hampshire as Lead for Priority H in the LAA – empowering local people.</p>		Janet Blann/ Penny Lane
<p><b>Action:</b> Further consultation on the development of the LAA to be circulated to members of the Partnership when received.</p>		Penny Lane

<b>Item 4</b>	<b><u>Draft Statutory Guidance Consultation and Proposals for Partnership Away Day</u></b>	
<b>Purpose</b>	To brief the Test Valley Partnership Board on the Government's consultation on draft Statutory Guidance – 'Creating Strong and Prosperous Communities', and agree revised arrangements for the Test Valley Partnership Away Day.	
<b>Introduction</b>	The consultation on draft Statutory Guidance sets out proposals on the place-shaping and community leadership role of local councils, working with LSPs and local partners. Consultation on the statutory guidance is open until 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2008.	
<b>Key points arising</b>	<p><u>Draft Statutory Guidance Consultation</u></p> <p>The draft guidance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• confirms the role of Local Strategic Partnerships.</li> <li>• advocates a strengthening of democratic accountability and the leadership role for local authorities in Local Strategic Partnerships.</li> </ul> <p>This strengthening of democratic accountability places an emphasis on Councillors and Local Authorities playing a greater leadership role in Local Strategic Partnerships.</p> <p>The guidance also points to more formal governance arrangements for LSPs, with clear structures and strengthened formal links.</p> <p><u>Test Valley Partnership Away Day</u></p> <p>The final LSP guidance will not be available for some time, and with this in mind it is proposed that the TVP Board Away Day is put back to a date when the final statutory guidance should be available. This will facilitate a</p>	

	<p>more meaningful discussion regarding its implications for Test Valley. It is hoped that this option will also have the advantage of enabling a newly appointed Partnership Manager to attend.</p> <p>The 16<sup>th</sup> May is proposed as the new date for the Partnership Away Day.</p>	
<b>Action points</b>		
<p><b>Decision:</b> The Board agreed to cancel the date of 15<sup>th</sup> February, and postpone the TVP Board Away Day to the 16<sup>th</sup> May.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> An updated programme of meetings and notification regarding the change in date of the Away Day to be circulated to the Board. <b>(Updated programme attached).</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> The involvement of Borough Council Executive Portfolio Holders in the TVP Action Group to be encouraged.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Further work to be done to promote awareness of the role of the Partnership and its successes to Borough Councillors, a wider audience generally.</p>		<p>Penny Lane</p> <p>Action Group Chairs/ Coordinators</p> <p>Penny Lane/ TVP Manager</p>

<b>Item 5</b>	<b>Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board for Hampshire</b>	
<b>Purpose</b>	To discuss draft proposals for the Hampshire Health & Wellbeing Partnership Board, and agree a suitable representative for Test Valley.	
<b>Introduction</b>	The Local Government White Paper – Strong and Prosperous Communities (2006), identified Health and Wellbeing Partnerships as a means of improving joint working between local government and the NHS, and suggested proposals to legislate for new statutory partnerships. Many local authorities are now setting up Health and Wellbeing Partnership Boards as part of the delivery of the health and wellbeing aspects of the LAA.	
<b>Key points arising</b>	<p>It is proposed that a Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board be established for Hampshire.</p> <p>Aim – to improve health and wellbeing across Hampshire and to reduce health inequalities.</p> <p>Structure – the HWPB will be accountable to the LAA, similar to the CDRP.</p> <p>Membership – It is proposed that the Board will represent statutory and other agencies, including Hampshire PCT, Districts and Hampshire County Council, voluntary sector, service users, carers and service providers.</p>	
<b>Action points and Decisions made</b>		
<p><b>Decision:</b> Laura Taylor – Head of Environment and Health at TVBC, was agreed by the Partnership Board as the nominated representative for the HWPB from Test Valley.</p>		

<p><b>Decision:</b> TVP Board members supported proposals for the inclusion of representation from the Police Service, and a county-wide representative for the voluntary sector.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Comments on the proposals, and details of the nominated representative for the HWPB, to be submitted to HCC by the 31<sup>st</sup> January.</p>	Penny Lane
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Item 6	<u>Children and Young People's Plan for Test Valley</u>
<b>Purpose</b>	To receive feedback from a Children and Young People's Plan event held in November and then next steps regarding the establishment of a steering group.
<b>Introduction</b>	The format of the new Children's and Young People's Plan for Test Valley has been put together using information from an event held two years ago at Paultons Park. Future priorities were updated at a workshop held at Beech Hurst on the 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2007, involving around 25 representatives from a range of organisations.
<b>Key points arising</b>	The priorities in the draft CYP Plan for Test Valley are based around the five key themes in the 'Every Child Matters' national change programme for children.  The first CYP steering group meeting is taking place on the afternoon of 25 <sup>th</sup> January, and further information will be available at the next TVP Board meeting.
<b>Action Points and Decisions made</b>	
The Board noted the progress to date.	

Item 7	<u>Vulnerable People Review</u>
<b>Purpose</b>	To receive a report on the completed review undertaken by the Borough Council.
<b>Introduction</b>	The best value review of vulnerable people examined accessibility to services, information and opportunities in the borough, the barriers different groups and individuals face, and how the Council could improve access.
<b>Key points arising</b>	The conclusions of the best value review of vulnerable people have been reported, along with an improvement plan setting out a number of actions to address key findings of the review.  The Borough Council will seek to involve partners in addressing some of the actions within the improvement plan - where there are proposals for coordination of information provision or service delivery.
<b>Action points and Decisions made</b>	
<b>Action:</b> TVBC will liaise with relevant partners as appropriate.	
Penny Lane	

Item8	<u>ProgressUpdates</u>
<b>HampshireActionTeam</b>	
<p>Ayoungpeople’sconsultationexerciseiscurrentlybeingundertakeninTestValley.TheHATisaimingtohighlightwherethereisaneedfor greateravailabilityofactivitiesat placesyoungpeoplecangetto,attimeswhenthey can get thereandback,andatprices thattheycanafford.</p> <p>FromFebruarytheHATwillstarttoworkwithservicesa ndotherorganisationsto identify waysoffillinggapsandsupportingactivities.</p> <p>AllagendasareontheHATforTestValleywebpages:  <a href="http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hats/hats-findyourhat/hats-testvalleyhat/testvalley-meetings.htm">http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hats/hats-findyourhat/hats-testvalleyhat/testvalley-meetings.htm</a></p>	
<b>TheTurnaroundProject</b>	
<p>Challengesarestillbeingaddressedinrelationtohow theAskalotshopisstaffed. Currentlyapersonmaybeemployedforapprox.18hour saweekduetoafunding contributionfromthePolice.</p> <p>Theighbourhoodco-ordinatorisleaving,andherr eplacementstartsintwoweeks.</p> <p>Fundinghasbeen grantedfortheCommunityAssociationY outhGroupwhichwillnow continuatorunfor2.5hoursperweekforthenextyea r.</p> <p>27<sup>th</sup>FebruaryisthedateofthenextNetworkingLunch.</p>	
<b>AndoverVision</b>	
<p>AwrittenupdatewascirculatedtotheBoard <b>(copyattachedtotheminutes).</b></p>	
<b>Romsey20/20</b>	
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Item8	<u>AOB</u>
<b>TestValleyPartnershipManager</b>	
<p>MarionWoodshasoptedtotakeillhealthretirement. ThepositionofTVPManagerhas beenadvertisedandinterviewswilltakeplaceonthe21<sup>st</sup>February.</p> <p><b>Action:</b>TheBoardrequestedaletterexpressingtheirbestwi shesbesenttoMarion.</p>	
<b>SianCampbell–MaternityLeave</b>	
<p>Anewofficerwillbestartingsoonandwillbeinducte dbySiantoprovideconsistent support.</p>	
<p>.ContactAlexBurn,HeadofOlderPeople'sWell-Bei ngTeam,HampshireCounty Council.</p>	

<b>Mopeds</b>	The 'WheelstoWork' moped project is being extended to there is now a waiting list for mopeds and the scheme is	Eastleigh and East Hampshire, currently running well.
<b>One Stop Shops</b>	Changes have occurred to the Youth Teams and Connexions Stop Shops. <b>Action:</b> A briefing to be sought from HCC for the next Board	, resulting in a closure of One Stop Shops. meeting.

<b>TVP Board 25<sup>th</sup> April Agenda Requests</b>		
Briefing Strategic CDRP	A briefing about the Strategic CDRP and links to local LSPs/CDRPs.	Ann Wakefield
One Stop Shops	A briefing on the changes to Youth teams/ Connexions and closures of One Stop Shops - the implications for Test Valley.	Sian Campbell to follow up